# WWI American Cemetery Archival Collections Research: Meuse-Argonne Missing Years



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Project Summary	Established by Congress in 1923, the American Battle Monuments Commission commemorates the service, achievements, and sacrifice of U.S. armed forces where they have served overseas. Research is needed to identify archival sources for the period between 1919-1929 for Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery.
Country	France
Agency	American Battle Monuments Commission
DoS Office	N/A
Post	N/A
Section	N/A
Number of Interns	

### **Project Description**

Meuse-Argonne American Cemetery (MAAC) and Memorial in France covers 130.5 acres, and includes the largest number of U.S. military dead in Europe, a total of 14,246. Most lost their lives during the Meuse-Argonne Offensive of World War I.

The American Battle Monuments Commission lacks sufficient archival documentation about MAAC between 1919 and 1929.

The virtual intern will be tasked with conducting extensive, detailed, and well-documented, archival research with citations using a variety of original sources to identify and compile as much information as possible about these missing years for MAAC. There is a wealth of information online about MAAC, but it is not cohesive or easily accessible for use by ABMC.

The final product will be a report for ABMC management and program use describing the archival and collection materials located about MAAC from this period, including photographs and documents to include a narrative, an index, and copyright free scans/copies where feasible.

#### **Desired Skills Interests**

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MS Office

Research

Ability to determine veracity of information and trustworthiness of source

Self Motivated

**Detail Oriented** 

Ability to convert graphics to reusable, editable formats that are compatible with with standard Microsoft Office suite

#### **Additional Information**

Interest and knowledge about WWI will be helpful.

This project is an initiative of the Collections & Preservation Directorate of the Overseas Operations Office of the American Battle Monuments Commission. For more information about ABMC and MAAC, please visit: www.abmc.gov.

## **Language Requirements**

None